

**MONTANA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY**

<p>MONTANA QUALITY EDUCATION COALITION,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">vs.</p> <p>THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION; and ELSIE ARNTZEN, in her official capacity as SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendants.</p>	<p>Cause No. BDV-25-2024-201-IJ</p> <p>Judge: Hon. Michael F. McMahon</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ORDER FOR DISMISSAL OUTSTANDING CLAIMS FOR DECLARATORY AND PERMANENT INJUNCTIVE RELIEF</b></p>
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Pursuant to the Stipulation for Dismissal filed by the parties, by and through their counsel of record, and good cause appearing:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT this Court’s Preliminary Injunction Order, dated April 17, 2024, remains in effect pending an order terminating this Court’s preliminary injunction or until the Montana Legislature has the opportunity during the 2025 session to amend relevant statutory authority regarding the responsibilities of the Board of Public Education, the Office of Public Instruction, and the

Superintendent of Public Instruction relative to the authorization of and opening of public charter schools in Montana. The remaining claims for declaratory and permanent injunctive relief are dismissed with prejudice and with each party bearing responsibility for their own attorney's fees and costs.

**ELECTRONICALLY SIGNED AND DATED BELOW**

cc: Elizabeth Kaleva  
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Kevin Twidwell  
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